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In re application of:
Yoshinobu Kaneyama
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For: Device Mounting Method

DECISION
ON
PETITION

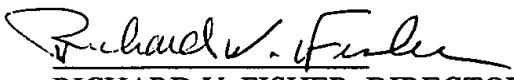
This is a decision on the Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment filed November 27, 2000 under 37 CFR 1.181. The petition requests withdrawal of the holding of abandonment for failure to respond to the office action mailed March 28, 2000 as set forth in the Notice of Abandonment mailed November 6, 2000.

DECISION

A review of the petitioner's request and evidence indicates that the request has merit. The evidence presented is sufficient to establish that a timely response was filed to the office action of March 28, 2000. The evidence includes a postcard receipt; a copy of the certificate of mailing for the paper in question and a copy of the originally filed amendment.

The Notice of Abandonment of November 6, 2000 is hereby vacated and the application restored to pending status. The application will be forwarded to Technology Center 1700's Technical Support Staff for processing of the amendment. It is noted that this abandonment resulted from an office error and that as such no fee is due.

The petition is **GRANTED**.


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